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VITAL STATISTICS BILL IS PASSED

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technically in the bosom of the Finance Committee. They have not decided as to a good many of the items, and the bills are not in sight so far as public consideration is concerned.

HOUSE

Morning Session.

Rev. H. D. C. MacLachlan, in offering prayer at the opening of the House session, spoke of the birthday of Washington and of the inspiration of the life of the Father of His Country.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Harwood, White, of Rockbridge, and Bell as the committee to inquire into the cost and feasibility of the purchase of a lot for a public building.

Aubrey G. Weaver proposed a resolution identical with that adopted on February 12, providing for an inquiry into the business methods of institutions receiving State money. The only change was that the committee should be composed of three House members, instead of having one from the Senate. The other features are the same—the committee to do the work in process, having the power to summon witnesses, limit its expenditures to actual expenses, and report to the next General Assembly.

This resolution, said Mr. Weaver, had been put to sleep in the Senate Committee on Public Institutions and Education. So he asked for a committee composed exclusively of House members.

Has Large Demands. He was more convinced than ever, he asserted, of its necessity. Every two years the Committee on Finance

is asked to pass upon large demands for appropriation. "What business concern," he asked, "would not make inquiry as to the details of such expenditures?" As a matter of fact, governments, he thought, pay more for what they get than do individuals.

Daniel Coleman, of Norfolk, hoped the House would agree to the Weaver resolution. He believed it absolutely necessary that boards should be investigated. It was been admitted to him that the former management of the State Epileptic Colony was extravagant. If they had done no wrong no harm would be done by an inquiry.

It was hardly practicable to get all this work done as a labor of love, said John Rutherford.

Mr. White, of Rockbridge, said that things have transpired which not only justify but demand an inquiry. If the members are to go back with confidence to their people.

The Weaver resolution was agreed to.

Rules of Order. Mr. Bell offered a resolution, which was adopted, providing for the advancement of local bills on the calendar on their second reading, after the conclusion of the special order. It would take, he said, but a few minutes.

Mr. Smith here suggested that the Weaver resolution should include an investigation of the Department of Public Instruction, but he has ruled to be out of order.

Judge Williams, from the Committee on Rules, offered a resolution providing that after the special order, the calendar shall be called in order at morning sessions, while the afternoon sessions shall be given to consideration of uncontested material. It was agreed to.

Mr. Moore moved that the Committee on Agriculture and Mines be discharged from further consideration of the stock feed bill, but was ruled out, the time having arrived for consideration of the Jordan bill.

This consumed the remainder of the morning.

Afternoon Session.

Following the passage of the Jordan bill, the following House bills, on their second reading, were read the second time and ordered to be engrossed:

Authorizing the sale of delinquent lands in Giles and Buchanan counties. Patron, Mr. Rutherford.

Amending the law as to the civil justice of Norfolk. Patron, Mr. Banks.

Prohibiting the removing of fish, save certain exceptions, in the county of Augusta. Patron, Mr. Kemper.

Repealing an act for the protection of fish in Blackwater River, Isle of Wight county. Patron, Mr. Jordan.

Providing a new charter for the town of Kenbridge. Patron, Mr. Love.

Amending the charter of the city of Norfolk. Patron, Mr. Coleman.

Providing for disabled volunteer firemen's associations in cities of more

than 100,000 population. Patron, Messrs. Cox and Harwood.

Amending the charter of the town of East Stone Gap. Patron, Mr. Caskley.

Amending the charter of the town of Glade Spring. Patron, Messrs. Back and Roberts.

Empowering the Board of Supervisors of Montgomery county to spend money for the widening of agriculture. Patron, Mr. Flanagan.

Authorizing the cities of Newport News and Hampton and the counties of Warwick and Elizabeth City to borrow money for drainage. Patron, Mr. Milstead.

Amending the charter of the town of La Crosse. Patron, Mr. Roberts.

Authorizing the Board of Supervisors of Madison county, to spend money in road improvement. Patron, Mr. Utz.

Amending the charter of the town of Culpeper. Patron, Mr. Bell, by request.

Prescribing a fence law for York Magisterial District. Warren county. Patron, Mr. Weaver.

Allowing the town of Rocky Mount to borrow money for a high school building. Patron, Mr. Kinsey.

Amending the charter of the town of Manassas. Patron, Mr. Meetez.

Amending the charter of the city of Norfolk. Patron, Mr. Banks.

Authorizing the establishment of a ferry across Powell's River. Patron, Mr. Robertson.

Authorizing the Board of Supervisors of Rockingham county to establish toll gates. Patron, Mr. Earman.

Amending the charter of the city of Shenandoah. Patron, Mr. Jordan.

Repealing an act to allow Gratton District, York county, to borrow \$4,000. Patron, Mr. Stephens.

Authorizing the Gratton District School Board to borrow \$2,500. Patron, Mr. Stephens.

Authorizing the city of Winchester to vote on \$150,000 of gravity water bonds. Patron, Mr. Byrd.

Authorizing the city of Winchester to vote on \$25,000 of improvement bonds. Patron, Mr. Byrd.

Amending the charter of the town of Wytheville. Patron, Mr. Banks.

Confirming the acts of Hastings County, Part 2, of Richmond. Patron, Mr. Cox.

Authorizing justices of Northampton county to sentence persons convicted of vagrancy to the roads. Patron, Mr. Filkins.

Amending the charter of the city of Lynchburg. Patron, Mr. Jennings.

Authorizing the payment of a salary to the clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Albemarle county. Patron, Mr. White.

Regulating the fines of the Police Justice of Norfolk. Patron, Mr. Coleman.

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Authorizing the exchange of offices in the Capitol. Patron, Mr. Williams.

On motion of Mr. Jennings, the House adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

On the birthday of General George Washington.

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Two years ago I was troubled with my kidneys and had terrible pains in my back. Oftentimes my back would hurt me so that I would be compelled to give up my work and sit down for a time to rest and ease myself. "Bright's Disease," I began to think that it was creeping into my system and I was fully decided to go to the doctor and lay my case before him. But as my mother was using Swamp-Root at the time, she induced me to try some. The relief it gave me was very encouraging. My back became strong, and in fact, the use of two and one-half bottles of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root cleared my system of the kidney trouble entirely. I am a barber on my feet all day long, but have no trouble whatever with my kidneys. I am twenty-eight years of age, and have gained thirty pounds in weight since cured, and I feel it my duty to tell every sufferer of kidney trouble of my remarkable cure by Swamp-Root.

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LEGISLATIVE COMMENT

By LEWIS H. MACHEN.

SPECIAL ORDERS

In the House.

It has always been the custom in both houses of the Legislature to set bills of general and unusual interest as special orders to be taken up on a day designated, regardless of their positions on the calendar. This in use of them, precedence, though they may be pushed along for several days beyond the time appointed by other special orders previously provided for.

As an example, the Jordan bill, providing for a State-wide vote on the question of granting liquor licenses, was a special order for Tuesday; the limestone grinding bill, for Wednesday, and the Tax Commission bill for yesterday; but the Jordan bill called for such a quantity of oratory that all three of the days named were consumed by its consideration, and the other two measures were shoved along accordingly.

It is probable that if the limestone grinding measure should excite more than ordinary interest, it will edge the Tax Commission bill over till Saturday. It is expected that the former measure will pass the House, having been so strongly endorsed by the Governor and so urgently demanded by the agricultural interests of the State. Its passage through the Senate is regarded as equally certain. It is, of course, an experiment for the State to engage in this kind of an enterprise. The interests with which the State will be brought into competition, and some other denounce it as a class legislation, and a movement in the direction of socialism. At any rate, the experiment will be watched with interest, and, if it succeeds, it will only be natural that demands should be made that the State embark upon other similar lines of endeavor.

The Tax Commission bill is likely to cause almost as much debate as the Jordan bill, which so far holds the record in length, fervor and public interest. When the original Jordan Tax Commission plan was before the House the better part of three mornings were devoted to its tentative consideration. It is true that some of the provisions have been eliminated, but some others have been inserted which will doubtless prove equally fruitful of controversy. Some of the sections of the new bill, notably those numbered 13 and 20 relating to the powers and duties of the Tax Rate Board, will need rather extended explanation. It is certain that some further amendments will be offered which will be strenuously urged and a number of

attacks made upon the measure as a whole. Nevertheless, it is believed that the bill, in something like its present form, will go through the House. How it may fare in the Senate cannot be predicted, but it is going to be exceedingly difficult to get any general House bill considered in the Senate which does not pass the House before the middle of next week—and the House calendar now covers ninety-four pages.

In the Senate. The special order in the Senate for Wednesday was what is known as the vital statistics bill, and that for yesterday was the Lesner convict road force bill, but the former occupied the Senate both of these days, so that the special order for today, the bill to prohibit the killing of robins, will not be reached till to-morrow or Monday.

There is sure to be a sharp fight over the amendments to the Lesner bill. The aim of the measure was to deal a death blow to the convict labor contract system. The amendments contemplate the letting by contract of 500 convicts. It is believed that the Senate will approve the action of the committee, but not until it has listened to some severe denunciations of the contract system, which is generally admitted to be an evil which should be abolished if practicable, and if it is not practicable as far as possible. The committee, however, were of the opinion that at least 500 convicts were unavailable for road purposes, and that it would be wise to hire them out on contract for a period not exceeding five years.

The robin bill, which passed the House by a practically unanimous vote, will receive the sanction of the Senate also. Those representing the agricultural interests especially will tell of the value of the robin in destroying harmful worms and insects, and the interest which the school children of the State have shown in the bill will have its effect. The amendment proposed by the committee will probably be voted down.

In passing upon these special orders both houses must consider the fact that the appropriation bills will probably reach them about the middle of next week, and will be likely to take at least three days. Making allowance for this, there remain only ten working days of the session to be devoted to other matters. The cry for haste, therefore, must be answered by speed.

Game Bill Tuesday. Upon motion of Senator Moncre, the bill providing for a State game warden and for general hunting licenses was made a special order for Tuesday at 1 o'clock.

Senator Polkes moved that House bills Nos. 272 and 273, on the calendar upon their first reading, be substituted for Senate bill No. 228 and placed on the calendar. The bills were passed by the House earlier in the week and embody the recommendations of the Joint House and Senate Committees on Roads and Internal Navigation touching the disposition of the convict labor of the State Penitentiary. Senate bill No. 228, offered by Senator Lesner, contains the same provisions and was on the calendar as a special order for yesterday.

Senator voted to permit the substitution of and to dispense with the further reading of the bills. Upon the motion to place the bills on their passage a number of the Senators served notice that they desired to offer amendments and it was agreed to defer further action on the bills till to-day.

Senator Early moved that the Senate adjourn in honor of the birthday of George Washington, at 2 o'clock. The following bills were taken up:

THE WEATHER.

Forecast: For Virginia and North Carolina—Fair, cloudy and probably Saturday; moderate temperature; light, variable winds, shifting to south.

Special Local Data for Yesterday.
12 noon temperature 57
3 P. M. temperature 49
Maximum temperature up to 5
P. M. 41
Minimum temperature up to 8
P. M. 32
Mean temperature 41
Normal temperature 41
Deficiency in temperature 1
Excess in temperature since March 1 514
Accum. deficiency in temperature since January 1 423
Accum. deficiency in rainfall since March 1, 1911 6.55
Accum. deficiency in rainfall since January 1, 1912 1.15
Local Observations S. P. M. Yesterday.
Temperature 57
Humidity 32
Wind, direction S.W.
Wind velocity 15
Weather Clear

CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.
(At 8 P. M. Eastern Standard Time.)
Place. Ther. H. T. W. Weather.
Albany 56 39 76 Clear
Atlanta 52 36 72 Clear
Atlantic City 52 36 72 Clear
Baltimore 52 36 72 Clear
Buffalo 42 32 62 P. cloudy
Cincinnati 42 32 62 P. cloudy
Calgary 42 32 62 P. cloudy
Charleston 42 32 62 Clear
Chicago 42 32 62 Clear
Cleveland 42 32 62 Clear
Denver 42 32 62 Clear
Galveston 52 42 62 Cloudy
Hartford 42 32 62 Clear
Havana 42 32 62 Clear
Havre 42 32 62 Clear
Jacksonville 52 42 62 Clear
Kansas City 42 32 62 Clear
Louisville 42 32 62 Clear
Montgomery 42 32 62 Clear
New Orleans 42 32 62 Clear
New York 42 32 62 Clear
Norfolk 42 32 62 Clear
Oklahoma 42 32 62 Clear
Pittsburgh 42 32 62 Clear
Raleigh 42 32 62 Clear
St. Louis 42 32 62 Clear
St. Paul 42 32 62 Clear
San Francisco 42 32 62 Cloudy
Savannah 42 32 62 Clear
Spokane 42 32 62 Clear
Tampa 42 32 62 Clear
Washington 42 32 62 Clear
Winning 42 32 62 Cloudy
Wichita 42 32 62 Clear

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February 23, 1912.
Sun rises 6:51
Sun sets 5:56
Moon rises 4:06
Moon sets 1:09



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of their regular order on the calendar and passed:
Providing a special road law for Tazewell county. Patron Senator Royall.
House bill No. 107, to authorize the school board of Jerusalem magistrat district, Southampton county, to borrow money for the purpose of paying off school indebtedness in said district and to issue bonds therefor not exceeding \$15,000 in amount.
House bill No. 235, to authorize and empower the boards of supervisors of the counties of Essex and King William to sell and convey unto the Richmond, Washington and Chesapeake Bay Railway Company a right of way through the poor farms of said counties.

HOUSE BILLS
The following were presented and referred to the Joint Committee on Special Private and Local Legislation.
By Mr. Bell: A bill to authorize and empower the Board of Supervisors of Culpeper county to issue bonds to raise money for the purpose of providing for certain bridges in said county. Referred to the Joint Committee on Special Private and Local Legislation.
By Mr. Saunders: A bill to protect phonograph records in the county of Middlesex. Referred to the Committee on Fish and Game.

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SENATE

The most important act of the Senate yesterday was the passing of the vital statistics bill, which was accomplished without serious opposition. A number of local bills were taken out of their regular order, at the instance of their patrons, and passed.

Lieutenant Governor J. Taylor Elliott convened the body at noon, and reports from the various standing committees were heard. Senator Holt moved that the Byrd-Featherston primary bill, on the calendar upon its first reading, be made a special and continuing order for next Tuesday at 1 o'clock, and it was so ordered.

Calls Up Fee Measure.

Senator West precipitated a lively debate by asking that the Senate discharge the Committee on Finance from further consideration of his bill requiring all county officers whose salaries are derived wholly or in part from fees, to render an annual report of the receipts of their offices. The bill, he said, was introduced early in the session, but the committee has not seen fit to report it.

Chairman Behold, of the committee, suggested that action be deferred until to-day, when the Finance Committee will make an effort to consider the bill and render a report on it. The same recommendation was made by Senator Lesner.

I appreciate the courtesy which the chairman of the Finance Committee show me by promising a consideration of the bill to-morrow," said Senator West, "but I think that the interests of those who favor this measure will be best subserved by a vote on this matter at this time, and I must therefore insist that the Senate vote on my motion to discharge the committee from further consideration of the bill. The question of fees, I think, is the most important before the people of Virginia to-day, and many of them are deeply interested in the fate of this measure. If the Senate is with me on this proposition it will endorse my request. If, on the other hand, they are in favor of paying certain county officials salaries in many instances two and three times as large as that received by the Governor, they can vote my motion down."

The motion was then put by the chair and defeated by a vote of 7 to 23.

UNIT STATISTICS PASSED. The Senate proceeded to take a number of uncontested local bills out of their order and to pass them. Senator Drevy's vital statistics bill, which

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